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APPORTIONMENT PASSES HOUSE

Measure Provides for a Body of 433 Members.

MANY STATES MAKE GAINS

Northwest Will Benefit Particularly, as Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota Secure Increased Representation, While Wisconsin and Iowa Retain Their Present Number—Senate Will Probably Act Favorably on Bill.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Minnesota's representation in the house will be increased from nine to ten members under the terms of the apportionment bill passed by the house. This measure, which provides for a house of 433 members, will be concurred in by the senate and approved by the president.

The action of the house will enable state legislatures now in session to redistrict the congressional subdivisions on the basis of a population of 213,025 for each member, an additional member being allowed in a number of instances for major fractions. The representation of North and South Dakota is increased, respectively, from two to three members, Montana from one to two, while Iowa and Wisconsin each maintains its present representation, eleven members.

Representative Lindbergh was the only Republican from Minnesota to vote against the caucus bill, which provided for a house of 391 members, Representative Hammond, the Democrat from the state, also voted against the Republican caucus measure. Representatives Davis, Stevens, Miller, Nye, Tawney and Volstead stood by the bill. Representative Steenerson was not registered as voting.

Members Bolt Party Caucus.

For the first time since they have been in congress Representatives Burke of South Dakota and Hanna of North Dakota turned their backs on the adoption of a party caucus. They opposed the 391 bill on the ground that as the interests of their states were directly affected they did not feel bound by the decision of the caucus. Representative Martin of South Dakota, who was opposed to the caucus bill on the same ground, did not vote. He was absent from the house on other business. No record vote was taken on the bill that was passed.

The leaders, having been defeated in their efforts to put through the 391 bill, did not press the issue further. Of the eighteen Republican representatives who voted against the caucus bill sixteen were regulars. Aside from Representative Lindbergh the only other progressive who violated the agreement reached in caucus was Representative Kendall of Iowa.

Under the new reapportionment plan no state loses a member. The following states gain the number indicated: Alabama, 1; California, 3; Colorado, 1; Florida, 1; Georgia, 1; Idaho, 1; Illinois, 2; Louisiana, 1; Massachusetts, 2; Michigan, 1; Minnesota, 1; Montana, 1; New Jersey, 2; New York, 6; North Dakota, 1; Ohio, 1; Oklahoma, 3; Oregon, 1; Pennsylvania, 4; Rhode Island, 1; South Dakota, 1; Texas, 2; Utah, 1; Washington, 2; West Virginia, 1.

PLACES TAX ON ADVERTISING

Senate Committee Favors Payment by Magazines.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Magazine publishers will have to pay a rate of 4 cents a pound on advertising sections of periodicals carried as second class mail if an amendment to the postoffice appropriation bill adopted by the cenate committee on postoffices and postroads is accepted by both branches of congress. Senator Penrose reported the bill to the senate.

The action of the committee was not accomplished without a spirited contest, although the amendment was adopted by a vote of 8 to 2. The senators who finally voted against the increase to popular magazines were Messrs. Owen of Oklahoma and Bourne of Oregon. Mr. Owen based his opposition on the ground that this tax upon popular reading should not be levied by congress, while Mr. Bourne contended that the action was a discrimination in favor of newspapers and that they should be taxed likewise.

STILL VOTING FOR YOUNG

Iowa Standpatters So Far Unable to Agree on Another.

Des Moines, Feb. 10.—Pending decision as to their ultimate action the standpat members of the Iowa legislature who have been supporting "Lafe" Young for senator to succeed Dolliver in the futile hope that a special primary might be ordered in his interests cast their votes again for Young in the joint ballot and the termination of the deadlock was postponed temporarily.

Supporters of W. S. Kenyon returned to him in the balloting and some of the friends of A. B. Funk voted again for him.

In the senate the standpatters continued their fight against the Oregon plan for the popular election of senators.

HILL IN FAVOR OF RECIPROCITY

Railway Magnate Delivers Address in Minneapolis.

CHANCE MAY NOT COME AGAIN

Declares Opportunity Calls but Once and in This Instance Conditions Are Such in Canada That Now Is the Time to Embrace It—Following Hill's Address Unanimous Vote Was Taken by Publicity Club in Favor of Agreement.

Minneapolis Feb. 10.—"Opportunity calls once, they say, at every man's door, but if we let this opportunity of reciprocity with Canada pass by it will not come again. I say to you, conditions are such in Canada today this opportunity will never come again.

"I came to Minnesota to help build it up nearly fifty-five years ago and if I did not think reciprocity with Canada would help Minnesota I would not be here now."

Hurling fact after fact gleaned from the official records of the United States and driving home with characteristic force statements like the above James J. Hill, introduced before the reciprociy banquet of the Minneapolis Publicity club as "a man who has given more sane advice and has more sanely assisted the farmers of Minnesota than any other man," pleaded for reciprocity with Canada in terms leaving not one of his audience of 550 doubting his sincerity or the strength of his contentions.

Following Mr. Hill's address former Senator W. D. Washburn of Minneapolis moved a sentiment vote, with the result a unanimous vote was cast by the club endorsing the proposed trade agreement.

The banquet, held in Donaldson's tea rooms, began with an invocation pronounced by Archbishop Ireland. Telegrams from Minnesota's congressmen were read, those for reciprocity being received with vociferous applause, while the others merely called forth respect to names. Judge John Day Smith of Minneapolis presided.

BANK GUARANTY IS BEATEN

Measure Suffers Defeat in South Dakota House.

Pierre, S. D., Feb. 10.—Bank guaranty under the Kansas plan went down to defeat in the house after a lengthy discussion in which one of the old time Kansans who is a member said that its being copied from a Kansas act did not appeal to him, as that state always went to extremes in one direction or the other, and its acts might or might not be good.

The railway employes have won a victory in their fight for electric headlights on all engines in this state. The contest has been on before the committee for several days and they reported the bill favorably in the house, regardless of the fact that it was rejected by the people in the "vote no" campaign of last year. It goes in this time as an emergency bill.

The daylight bill received the signature of Governor Vessey and is now a law and every saloon in the state which remains open after 9 o'clock is in violation of this act.

HOUSE FAVORS RECIPROCITY

Minnesota Lawmakers Kill Resolution in Opposition.

St. Paul, Feb. 10.—The house of representatives declared for the ratification of the Canadian reciprocity treaty. By a vote of 63 to 50 the house killed the S. M. Lee resolution directing the Minnesota representatives in congress to oppose the agreement. The result was due to a solid affirmative vote of the Democratic members, with several Republican members from the rural districts who took a broad view of the question, reinforced by a solid vote of the city members.

The iron ore tonnage tax question, fought in many previous sessions, was raised in the present legislature for the first time. A bill which is almost identical with Henry O. Bjorge's bill of two years ago was offered in the house by Thomas Frankson of Spring Valley, J. N. Johnson of Canby and J. J. Moriarity of Belle Plaine.

WISCONSIN FOR INCOME TAX

Lower House Endorses the Federal Amendment.

Madison, Wis., Feb. 10.—The amendment to the federal Constitution now pending before the legislatures of the various states, permitting the United States to levy an income tax, was given unanimous endorsement in the assembly when that house, without a dissenting vote, went on record for the resolution. The resolution has yet to pass the senate. It will be on the calendar there next week and will undoubtedly be given favorable recognition by that house, thus placing Wisconsin in the list of states supporting the federal income tax amendment.

EMILIO DE GOGORZA.

Secures $100,000 From Madame Eames to Pay Divorced Wife.

ROMANCE NEARING AN END

Emma Eames Pays $100,000 to Madame de Gogorza for Husband.

Paris, Feb. 10.—The last chapter in the remarkable romance of Emma Eames and Emilio de Gogorza of Paris, which has interested the reading public of two continents, will be written early next spring when the prima donna and the operatic baritone will be married.

Chief among the obstacles to an earlier marriage has been the attitude of Madame Elsa Neumoegan de Gogorza, who was separated from her husband in 1909. De Gogorza obtained a divorce through the French courts some time ago But before Madame de Gogorza allowed her husband to obtain a divorce, it is said, she insisted that ample provision be made for her.

One hundred thousand dollars is said to have been the amount settled upon her. De Gogorza was possessed of no such sum and Madame Eames finally agreed to give De Gogorza the sum needed.

FRANK A. DAY IS GOING TO MONTANA

Minnesota Democrat Will Run Newspaper at Missoula.

St. Paul, Feb. 10.—Frank A. Day and John E. King, chief boosters for Democracy, have pulled out for a "new frontier." They have established a daily Democratic newspaper in Missoula, Mont., the Sentinel, and will try to do to Montana what they did to Minnesota.

It was said Mr. Day, late chairman of the Democratic state central committee, and Mr. King, for six years state librarian, his able coadjutor, intended starting somewhere in Minnesota a Democratic state daily, but somehow their plans fell through.

Messrs. Day and King have purchased the outfit of the Butte Evening News, which recently suspended publication, and they will transfer it to Missoula and issue from there the Missoula Sentinel, an afternoon paper.

VICTIM OF HIS OWN GAME

Bandit Held Up and Relieved of His Plunder.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Even a thief isn't safe in Chicago, is the plea Charles Willard made to the police when he confessed he held up Rector's restaurant last Sunday morning and secured $3,300. Willard's joy in his possession was short lived, however, for as he was leaving the cafe door he was greeted by three men who, with a revolver pressed against his side, escorted him to an alley and robbed him of the proceeds of the holdup.

Willard, according to his confession, was one of three conspirators who planned and executed the Rector holdup. He in turn was the victim of a conspiracy devised by a friend to whom he confided the plan for robbing the cafe.

The story, incredible as it first seemed to the police, was corroborated by them, $500 recovered, and William Loftus, a saloonkeeper, has been rearrested and charged with being an accessory to the robbery and with having received stolen property.

SUES OIL TRUST FOR FEE

Counsel Who Successfully Resisted Big Suit Asks $125,000.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Suit has been filed in the municipal court here by Attorney Chester Bond of Jackson, Tenn., asking $125,000 of the Standard Oil company for legal services in aiding the company in resisting the government's suit in Tennessee last fall, which sought to exact a matter of some $30,000,000 penalties for alleged rebating.

Mr. Bond's contention is that he was employed to conduct the case and that after winning it he was refused what he considered a reasonable fee.

Minneapolis Gets Methodists.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Minneapolis won the contest from a half dozen contending cities as the seat of the next general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, which convenes in May, 1912.

TAFT URGED TO RAP CONGRESS

Many Persons Want Him to Force Legislation Program.

PUBLIC SENTIMENT ENOUGH.

President Believes This Will Be Effective Without His Using Executive's Power—Proposition to Spend Public Money For Good Roads Gains Ground Steadily In Congress.

By ARTHUR W. DUNN.

Washington, Feb. 10.—[Special.]—Evidently there is a desire on the part of quite a number of people to have President Taft take hold of the senate and house, knock their heads together and force them to pass a number of measures which he has recommended. Notably among them are the Canadian reciprocity agreement and the bill for a permanent tariff board.

There is every indication that such a procedure on the part of the president would be regarded in many quarters as a most beneficial executive action. But the president believes that as much will be gained by giving public sentiment an opportunity to push these matters as if he should make a spectacular play of executive force.

The president believes that the sentiment is so strong throughout the country for both Canadian reciprocity and a tariff commission that it will have as much effect as the threat of an extra session or any other method of executive pressure.

Will Treat Them Right.

Although there is a great deal of race prejudice on the Pacific coast against both Japanese and the Chinese, the California men give assurances that the people of those nations will receive fair treatment at the coming exposition. It is already assured, says Congressman Kahn, that both Japan and China will make the most elaborate exhibits that were ever seen at any exposition and that race prejudice will not interfere in any way with the exposition.

It is also known that the Japanese and Chinese merchants who make exhibits expect to sell large quantities of their goods to their people living in America, and in this as in other things the dollar will cut a big figure.

Good Roads Gaining Favor.

Soon after the house run over the postoffice committee and raised the pay of the rural carriers, necessitating an increase in the appropriation of $4,000,000, Chairman Weeks of that committee was speaking of how the same men would make the money fly if they could find a constitutional way to spend it on roads.

"Why," said the Massachusetts man, "rivers and harbors and public buildings would not be in it with appropriations for roads. There must be some water for a river and harbor appropriation, and there must be a town for a public building. But all that would be necessary for a road appropriation would be ground enough upon which to build it. Every fellow could get his share of public money by a good roads bill."

There are many good lawyers who believe that the government has a constitutional warrant for appropriating money for building roads, especially for roads over which rural letter carriers travel.

D. D.'s In the House.

Congressman Carlin of Virginia gave certain members of the house a new name during the discussion of his amendment to prevent a reformatory prison from being located within ten miles of Mount Vernon, where Washington is buried.

"I seldom intrude upon the time of the house," he said. "I do not belong to what is known as the D. D.'s, or daily debaters." And, what is more, he carried his point, much to the satisfaction of thousands of women who have preserved and maintained the old colonial home of the first president.

Smoot as Aldrich's Deputy.

It would appear that when Senator Aldrich decided that he would not again take part in the affairs of the United States senate he left the finance committee in charge of Senator Smoot. At all events, whenever inquiries are made concerning matters before the finance committee the Utah senator is asked to give an answer.

Not only that, but different senators have consulted Smoot in regard to the order of business and matter of senate procedure in the senate just as they formerly consulted Aldrich. Nothing like an official announcement has been made, but it has been taken for granted that Smoot is a kind of deputy for Aldrich during the remainder of this term of congress.

On Account of Idaho.

One day the senate adjourned very early, and Senator Brandegee explained why the time was thus lost when the senate was supposed to be under high pressure.

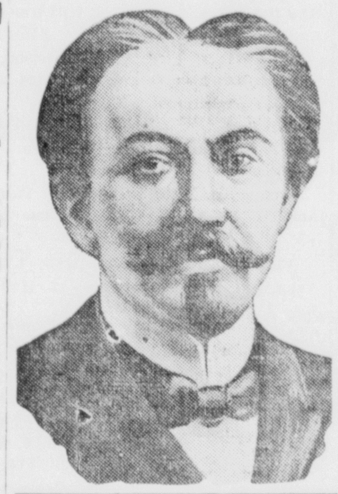
"It is all on account of Idaho," said the Connecticut senator. "You see, Borah, who is in charge of the resolution providing for the election of senators by direct vote of the people, asked his colleague, Heyburn, who is opposing the resolution, when he thought he could get through discussing it. Heyburn replied that he thought he could finish about March 4. Now, we thought it would be cruel to keep these Idaho senators here all the time, one of them talking, so we adjourned. We have saved them for future duty."

The Top of Minnesota.

The Northwest Angle in Minnesota is the northernmost point in the United States, not counting Alaska.

DR. PANTCHENKO.

Russian Physician Charged With Using Germs to Kill a Count.



RUSSIAN POISONER'S PAST

Former Fellow Employes Testify of His Methods.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 10.—Digging into the past of Dr. Pantchenko, who is charged with murdering Count Bouturlin with poison germs, the prosecution developed that he was once an employe on the Northwestern railroad, having received his appointment upon the recommendation of Count Witte. Fellow employes testified that he neglected his duties to peddle nostrums and was depraved. Among his habitual offenses was the practice of borrowing and never repaying.

URGES STATE OWNERSHIP

Governor of Montana Advises Purchase of State Insane Asylum.

Helena, Mont., Feb. 10.—Governor Norris has addressed a letter to the legislature urging the purchase of the state insane asylum, now conducted by contractors, at a cost not to exceed $650,000.

SECRETARY WILSON DEFENDS TREATY

Will Go Some Distance in Meeting Demands of People.

Washington, Feb. 10.—"The pending reciprocity treaty with Canada will go some distance toward meeting the demands of the people at the last election without interfering with the policy of protection as applied to the whole world."

This is the declaration of James Wilson, secretary of agriculture, in an answer on behalf of the Taft administration to the National Grange's declared opposition to the proposed agreement. The answer is in the form of an open letter made public and addressed to the legislative committee of the National Grange, Concord, N. H.

Secretary Wilson argues the cost of production in the United States and Canada is more nearly identical than between the United States and any other country, that the same difficulties with regard to farm labor exist on both sides of the international line and that Canadian and American farming methods are virtually the same.

FIELDING PROMISES ACTION

Canadian Finance Minister Says Canada Will Agree to Pact.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 10.—The Canadian house began the debate on the reciprocity agreement with the United States. The great interest in the measure was indicated by crowded galleries and an unusually large attendance of members.

The result of the discussion was a declaration by Finance Minister Fielding that parliament would put through the measure without delay, with a provision that it should come into force as soon as the United States had taken favorable action, and a declaration for the opposition by Mr. Borden, Conservative leader, that after a forty-year development struggle Canada had reached a position where reciprocity and increased trade with the United States was no longer desirable, but that Canada should continue to seek British markets with her surplus products.

May Reinstate Homesteaders.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Validation of homestead entries, which have been cancelled or relinquished, or are invalid solely because of erroneous allowance after the withdrawal of the lands for national park purposes, is proposed by an act which has been referred for consideration to the senate committee on public lands. Applications by homesteaders for reinstatement are required to be filed in the proper local land office before July 1, 1912.

Thoughtful Maud.

Maud—Yes, I got papa to buy a vacuum cleaner for mother. Jessica—How thoughtful! Maud—Yes. Mother is a little stiffened up with rheumatism, you know, and I used to feel so sorry to see her trying to use the broom that I always left home on sweeping day.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

TWO AVIATORS DROP TO DEATH

Accident Occurs During Trial of French Military Aeroplane.

WINGS SUDDENLY FOLD UP

Noel and Delatorre Had Put the Machine Through Evolutions for an Hour and the Experiment Was Considered in Every Way Successul. Were in the Act of Planing Downward When the Machine Plunged Headlong to Earth.

Douai, France, Feb. 10.—Two more names were added to the death roll of the aeroplane. Aviators Noel and Delatorre were killed while conducting a trial of a military aeroplane before experts from the war department previous to its delivery to the army. Noel was the pilot and Delatorre a passenger.

According to the requirements of the department Noel put the machine through its paces for an hour and the trial, which was considered in every way successful, was practically at an end.

The aviators were planing down from a height of about 250 feet when suddenly the wings folded up and the machine fell headlong to the earth.

The two men were taken out dead. Their skulls were fractured and they were badly crushed.

SERVICE IS ABOUT NORMAL

Railway Mail Conditions in South Dakota Improve.

Washington, Feb. 10.—According to information received by Representative Martin of South Dakota the mail service in that state in the main has been restored to a normal degree of efficiency. Mr. Martin addressed a score or more telegrame to South Dakota postmasters asking them to advise him as to exact conditions so far as the railway mail service was concerned. The replies in all but two cases were to the effect that normal conditions now obtain.

The postmasters at Watertown and Chamberlain advise Mr. Martin there was still some delay in the dispatch of mail at those points, but the indications were the trouble would soon be adjusted.

Representative Martin expressed the belief that Postmaster General Hitchcock's efforts to restore order out of chaos in the railway service in South Dakota and other Northwestern states undoubtedly would prove effective.

TREASURY NEEDS REFORM

North Dakota Inquiry May Result in Safeguards.

Bismarck, N. D., Feb. 10.—Methods of administering the affairs of the office of state treasurer for a period of eight years will be reported to the legislative assembly next week by the joint investigating committee. The report is being compiled at the present time and the probabilities are that it will be concluded and ready for the assembly within the next week or ten days.

Recommendations concerning safeguards that should be thrown around the state's funds will likely be included, while it will also show the manner of handling deposits with the banks in the period in question. This latter point is one on which the resolution adopted had to do with particularly, a report on these deposits being asked.

HOUSE IS AFTER LOBBYISTS

Member Creates Sensation in Montana Legislature.

Helena, Mont., Feb. 10.—J. M. Storey created a sensation by his motion that the privileges of the floor be denied and the lobby of the house be confined to persons properly entitled to appear before the house. He said his object is to prevent lobbying by people who have no business on the floor of the house. The motion provided that visitors obtain tickets from the sergeant-at-arms and that all others be denied. Mr. Storey said:

"I saw one man who was active lobbying for measures in this house who is a convicted criminal and a graduate of Deer Lodge. I object to such persons being on the floor of the house."

The matter was referred to the rules committee.

Tree Kills Woodsman.

Bemidji, Minn., Feb. 10.—While acting in the capacity of undercutter at the Crookston lumber company's camp No. 5, near White Fish Spur, Ole Johnson, aged forty-eight, was instantly killed when a tree falling hit on the side of a dead tree, throwing it in such a manner that it struck Johnson, cracking his skull the whole length of his head.

Bishop Whitaker Is Dead.

Philadelphia, Feb. 10.—Right Rev. Ozi W. Whitaker, bishop of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Pennsylvania, is dead at his residence here.

GRAIN AND PROVISION PRICES

Minneapolis Wheat.

Minneapolis, Feb. 9.—Wheat—May, $1.01⅞@1.02; July, $1.02⅞. On track—No. 1 hard, $1.03⅞; No. 1 Northern, $1.01⅜@1.03⅜; No. 2 Northern, 98⅜c @$1.01⅜; No. 3 Northern, 96⅜@99⅜c.

Duluth Wheat and Flax.

Duluth, Feb. 9.—Wheat—To arrive and on track—No. 1 hard, $1.03¼; No. 1 Northern, $1.02¼; No. 2 Northern, 99¼c@$1.00¼; May, $1.02¾; July, $1.03¼. Flax—On track and to arrive, $2.68; May, $2.68.

St. Paul Live Stock.

St. Paul, Feb. 9.—Cattle—Good to choice steers, $5.50@6.50; fair to good, $5.00@5.50; good to choice cows and heifers, $4.50@5.25; veals, $5.75@7.00. Hogs—$7.30@7.40. Sheep—Wethers, $3.25@4.00; yearlings, $4.00@4.75; spring lambs, $5.00@5.60.

Chicago Grain and Provisions.

Chicago, Feb. 9.—Wheat—May, 95c; July, 93⅜@93½c; Sept., 92⅜c. Corn—May, 49½c; July, 50¾c; Sept., 51⅜c. Oats—May, 32⅛@32¼c; July, 32½c; Sept., 32½c. Pork—May, $18.07; July, $17.50. Butter—Creameries, 17@26c; dairies, 16@22c. Eggs—14½@19c. Poultry—Turkeys, 21c; chickens, 13½c; springs, 13½c.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Feb. 9.—Cattle—Beeves, $5.00@6.80; Texas steers, $4.15@5.50; Western steers, $4.40@5.70; stockers and feeders, $3.85@5.90; cows and heifers, $2.65@5.80; calves, $7.65@9.00. Hogs—Light, $7.45@7.75; mixed, $7.25@7.65; heavy, $7.05@7.60; rough, $7.05@7.25; good to choice heavy, $7.25@7.60; pigs, $7.45@7.80. Sheep—Native, $2.50@4.40; yearlings, $4.50@5.50; lambs, $4.25@6.25.

CAR PLUNGES INTO RIVER

Three Persons Are Drowned at Sheboygan, Wis.

Sheboygan, Wis., Feb. 10.—Drowned like rats in a trap three women passengers of a southbound street car met death here when the car plunged through an open bridge draw into twenty feet of water of the Sheboygan river.

Five passengers were on the ill fated car, according to Frank Weber, conductor, and George Thieme, motorman, who jumped and escaped. The dead are Anna Mather, forty years old, music teacher, Sheboygan Falls; Tannica Van Onerkerk, eighteen years old, kindergarten teacher, Sheboygan Falls; Olga Weineight, fourteen years old, Sheboygan.

The three bodies were recovered shortly after the accident by rescuers who chopped a hole through the roof of the partially submerged car and caught hold of the bodies with cant hooks. A portion of the car protruded above the water a few inches.

According to the motorman the bridge swung to allow a tug to pass up the river. Approaching the open draw he set his brakes, but they failed to work. Calling to Weber, the conductor, to jump and warning the passengers he and Weber barely escaped.

TRAGEDY ON DAIRY FARM

Youth Kills Companion While Shooting Pigeons.

St. Paul, Feb. 10.—A bullet intended for a pigeon and fired by Sam Sloan, eighteen years old, killed Robert Neff, forty-five years old, at the dairy farm of L. H. Pinska, Lake Gervais. Both were employed at the farm.

When the accident occurred young Sloan already had bagged several birds. The noise of the shooting had made the pigeons wary and he was unable to get immediately within range. Seeing two birds on the roof of a shed he stalked them around the corner of the barn. Kneeling on the ground he took aim.

As he pulled the trigger Neff suddenly came around another corner, directly in front of the rifle. The ball struck him in the left temple, instantly killing him.

BODIES TORN TO FRAGMENTS

Ten Men Killed When Locomotive Explodes.

Smithville, Tex., Feb. 10.—Ten shop employes of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad were torn to fragments and seven others were injured when an engine under repair exploded in the Smithville yards. Besides the loss of life railroad property valued at $20,000 was destroyed.

The locomotive had just been run from the repair shop to be tested when the explosion occurred. The engine was blown to atoms, two other locomotives standing near were wrecked and the roundhouse was partially demolished.

BAY STATE HOUSE RETICENT

Declines to Endorse Proposed Pact Until After Hearings.

Boston, Feb. 10.—By a vote of 51 to 132 the Massachusetts house of representatives refused to endorse the proposed Canadian reciprocity agreement at this time and referred several orders on the subject to a committee. This committee will hold public hearings and report its findings with recommendations.

Drowns Herself in Shallow Water.

Wausau, Wis., Feb. 10.—Mrs. Pauline Bloch, aged forty-three years, committed suicide by drowning in fifteen inches of water in a cistern in the cellar of her home in the town of Hamburg, while temporarily insane.

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LOCAL NEWS NOTES

H. P. Dunn for valentines. 214-t2

C. A. Neuman, of Duluth, is in the city today.

Dr. M. B. Purdy went to Nisswa this afternoon.

Call for the Mazda lamp at McGinn & Smith's. 209tf

F. S. Parker came in this noon from Parkerville.

Go to Noble's, 716 Front street, for your Valentines. 215-t2

Alex Rose, the plasterer, arrived today from Klondike.

See Noble's windows for a fine display of Valentines. 215-t2

Prof. P. V. Malm went to Elk River this afternoon.

Store your stoves and household goods with D. M. Clark & Co. 110tf

Mrs. L. E. Thayer, of Hubert, went to St. Paul this afternoon.

Good old "Lasses" taffy tomorrow, 20c per pound at Hohman's. tf

Mrs. George Crossette, of Merrifield, was in the city today.

The new line of valentines are very attractive at H. P. Dunn's. 214-2

C. W. Miller, depot agent of Wadena, was in the city today.

Roadmaster Mills, of the M. & I., came from Bemidji this morning.

Saturday evening dance, Feb. 11, Moilanen hall. Tickets 25 cents Ladies free. 214-t2

Miss Anna Polinske, of Hibbing, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. John Bush.

Have you seen the window display at H. P. Dunn's? 214-t2

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Benson, of Deerwood, were in the city yesterday.

WANTED—Girl for general house work at Depot Lunch Rooms. 215tf

Smoke up tomorrow at Louie's. Nickel cigars, 7 for 25c—some 8 for 25c. tf

Noble, 716 Front street, has just the Valentines for St. Valentine's day. 215-t2

L. W. Wilson, of International Falls, transacted business in the city yesterday.

All kinds of Valentines—comics and the beautiful ones you will treasure—at Noble's. 215-t2

Will Ments, of St. Paul, representing a life insurance company, was in the city yesterday.

More of the good candies to eat at Louis Hohman's tomorrow. Fudges—2 pounds for 25c. tf

Mrs. A. B. Hitch went to St. Paul and Minneapolis this afternoon to purchase her spring millinery.

Valentines—Your valentine, his valentine, her valentine—at Hohman's. tf

WANTED—Board for man and wife, in Northeast Brainerd. Write the Dispatch. 215-t3

D. M. Clark & Co., the oldest installment house in the city. Established 28 years. Goods sold on easy terms. 110tf

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Mock, on Feb. 8, 1911, a handsome baby girl. Mother and child are doing well.

You will find your valentine at H. P. Dunn's. 214-t3

Everett McQuillin has resigned his position as moving picture operator at Cuyuna and Aitkin and has returned home.

You can get more light for less money by using the Mazda lamp. For sale at McGinn & Smith's. 209tf

Application has been made by Andrew Carlson, of 612 Laurel street, for a transfer of his liquor license to G. A. Hanestad.

Handsome line of up to date valentines at H. P. Dunn's. 214-t2

Jule Jamieson has made application for a transfer of his liquor license at 216 South Fifth street to George Anderson.

Schmidt's bottle beer, famous for quality. Order a case. Telephone 164. John Coates Liquor Co. 208-tf

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Northfield, of Minneapolis, arrived this afternoon attend the funeral of her brother, the late Thomas Britton.

400 pairs of $3.50 to $4.00 shoes on sale Wednesday, Feb. 8th, and for the balance of the week, at $2.48 per pair, and 100 pairs of $2.50 and $3.00 shoes at $1.50 per pair, at L. M. Koop's. 214-t2

R. Buchman, of the Buchman Mercantile Co., has returned from an extensive business trip to St. Paul, Duluth and Moorhead.

B. F. Clarke, of Longville, was in Brainerd today. He said that about five miles of track have bee taken up on the old logging road.

Robert E. Phillips, surveyor, came from Bib Falls today and said the snow is 34 inches deep at his place. The weather has been very cold there.

Albert Nelson, baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, of Daggett Brook, died yesterday morning of some infantile disorder. The funeral will be Sunday afternoon at Daggett Brook.

Modern plumbing and heating, water and sewer connections, at lowest prices. Get our estimates. D. M. Clark & Co. 110tf

The Loyal Link Society had a very good meeting last night at their church, the Swedish Methodist church. Rev. Challman, their former pastor, was present from Ashland, Wis.

Valentines in every design and price at H. P. Dunn's 241-t3

J. D. Ackerson, working on a drill four miles south of the city, dropped a heavy pipe on his foot this morning and split the foot and broke his middle toe. He resides at 609 South 7th street.

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Mrs. Jacob Winder paid the Dispatch office a pleasant visit today Mr. and Mrs. Winder have a farm on Route No. 1, and are successful and enterprising in their chosen vocation.

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Miss T. J. Burke, of Bemidji, is the guest for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cleary. Miss Burke is on her way home from an eastern trip, during which she also visited New Orleans.

A congregational meeting of the First Congregational church is called for Monday evening, Feb. 13th at 8 p. m., at the home of Mrs. C. B. White, 424 N. 4th street, to consider what action the church shall take in the matter of calling a pastor 215-6-7

Chairs, tables and office desks, sold at a sacrifice. Call at McNamara & Co., or the Brainerd Business college. 210tf

The funeral of the late Thomas H. Britton will be held at two o'clock on Saturday afternoon from the residence of his son at 714 South 7th street. Short services will be held by Rev. J. R. Alten, of St. Paul's Episcopal church. Pap Thomas Post, of the G. A. R., will have charge of the funeral. Interment will be in Evergreen cemetery.

John Larson is local agent for Stott Briquets, a new and very economical fuel. A car load has just arrived. Send in an order and try it. 158-tf

Court Magnolia, of the United Order of Foresters, pleasantly surprised Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jaeger last evening at the meeting of the order in Odd Fellow hall, on the occasion of their 20th wedding anniversary. They were presented with hand painted china. Games were played during the evening and a banquet served in their honor

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CROW WING ITEMS

Mrs. F. O. Young returned from New York Mills on Monday.

Mrs. J. J. Johnson returned from Little Falls on Monday.

Mr. L. Farr and son of Hibbing are visiting at A. J. Smith's.

Mrs. Beigen and son from Brainerd, came down to A. J. Smith's on Saturday.

Mrs. A. M. Johnston and children went to Foley, Minn., on Monday.

Jennie Porter returned from Brainerd on Monday.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johnson on Feb. 2nd and died on Feb. 6th. The remains were taken to Ft. Ripley on Tuesday and paced in the cemetery there. Mrs. Johnson is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Smith. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of the community.

Frank Hienz, of Randall, spent Sunday in Crow Wing.

Mrs. W. R. Davis is at St. Joseph's hospital.

$100 REWARD, $100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucuous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

ESDON ETCHINGS

Mr. and Mrs. P Isles have the sympathy of the entire neighborhood in the loss of their little son Freddie, who died very suddenly the 2nd of February. His mother thought he had gone to sleep and laid him down and left the room a few minutes. When she returned he was dead. The funeral was held at the Esdon school house Sunday. The body was laid to rest in the Bay Lake cemetery. He was two years and ten months.

Archie Cofield and Connie Isles came out to attend the funeral of their little nephew Sunday.

There was a surprise on Mrs. L. A. Chord the evening of the 7th in honor of her birthday.

M. L. Hammett is still confined to his bed.

J. L. Hammett is still improving.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Jabe were visiting M. L. Hammett Tuesday Mrs. Jabe has been ill but is able to be out again.

Oscar Hammett had to be at home owing to his father's illness. He has gone into the wood and post business and is ready to supply any one who wishes either, with tamarack.

Bert Hammett is back in school now. His brother is at home again.

Frank Blades, Will Bock and Chas. Rosenkranz left for the woods beyond Big Falls, last Monday.

Fred Bock and his new team and Elmer Tollefson went beyond Big Falls to work in the woods.

The sick children in this neighborhood are all getting better.

SCHOOL REPORT

Report of percent of attendance and tardiness fo rthe Brainerd schools for the month of January.

	Grade	Attend.	Tard.
Miss I. Lowey	7	99.9	0
Miss Barrett	8	98.7	0
Miss Mulrine	4	98.4	1
Miss Cosgrove	2	98.3	0
Miss Mitchell	6	97.9	2
Miss Genevieve Smith	3	97.9	0
Miss Christian	8	97.9	2
Miss Yeo	9	97.9	3
Miss Rounds	2	97.9	1
Miss Howlands	8	97.8	0
Miss MacLagan	7	97.7	0
Miss E. Smith	3	97.7	1
Miss Lindberg	7	97.7	2
Miss A. Lowey	1	97.6	0
Miss Tracy	5	97.5	4
Miss Budelman	2	97.3	4
Miss E. Somers	5	97.3	5
Miss Dunn	7	97.2	0
Miss Saunders	4	97.2	1
Miss Benson	5	97.0	1
Mr. McCarthy	H. S.	97.0	4
Miss Caniff	5	96.8	0
Miss L. Johnson	5	96.8	1
Miss E. Walsh	7	96.7	0
Miss McDougal,	3	96.7	0
Miss Erickson	1	96.7	4
Miss M. Somers	1	96.6	3
Miss Schroeder	6	96.6	0
Miss Murphy	4	96.4	4
Miss Wilder	6	96.4	3
Miss Early	3	96.3	0
Miss McMahon	1	96.3	3
Miss Scott	8	96.1	3
Miss H. Johnson	5	96.0	1
Miss Curry	4	95.8	1
Miss Small	2	95.8	2
Miss Crummett	6	95.3	1
Miss VanKleeck	4	94.9	2
Miss M. Walsh	1	94.8	6
Miss Paine	3	93.9	3
Miss McMannis, mill school	1, 2, 3	92.0	9

Attendance by buildings: Washington building, enrollment 487, per cent of attendance 97.9, tardiness 17;

Whittier building, enrolled 196, per cent of attendance 97.7, tardies 7.

Lincoln building, enrolled 276, per cent of attendance 97.1, tardies 15.

Lowell building, enrolled 424, per cent of attendance 95.8, tardies 9.

Harrison building, enrolled 349, per cent of attendance 95.0, tardies 13.

During the month 34 new pupils were enrolled for the first time in the schools which number would have been larger had it not been necessary to request parents to hold beginning pupils for entrance in the fall, as the primary grades are overcrowded at the present time, two of them having 57 pupils to a room. The average number of pupils per teacher throughout the grades is about 39 in actual attendance. Through the efforts of teachers, parents, truant officer, Mr. Pippy, the attendance in the schools has been kept up to a high mark in spite of the cold weather.

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It is a positive fact that a dose of Pape's Cold Compound, taken every two hours until three consecutive doses are taken, will end the grippe and break up the most severe cold, either in the head, chest, back, stomach, limbs or any part of the body.

It promptly relieves the most miserable neuralgia pains, headache, dullness, head and nose stuffed up, feverishness, sneezing, sore throat, running of the nose, mucous catarrhal discharges, soreness, stiffness and rheumatic twinges.

Take this harmless Compound as directed, with the knowledge that there is no other medicine, made anywhere else in the world, which will cure your cold or end grippe misery as promptly and without any other assistance or bad after-effects, as a 25 cent package of Pape's Cold Compound, which any druggist in the world can supply.

Notice

Gardner Hall will be ready to let for dances or social functions of any kind within a week.

211-6tp J. S. GARDNER.

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Cash Bargains for Friday and Saturday

Lettuce, Hot House per bunch	3c	White Cherries, large cans	20c
Celery, Fancy Cal. per bunch	7c	Pears, Bartlets, per can	20c
Oranges, Large Navels per dozen	35c	Apricots, Heavy syrup, per can	15c
Grape Fruit, 54 size	10c	Egg Plums, 2½ pound cans, each	15c
Peanut Butter, per pound	15c	Peaches, Yellow, Free, per can	18c
Brick Cheese, per pound	18c	Pine Apple, Monarch, Sliced per can	30c
Soda Crackers, by box per pound	6½c	Spinach, Large cans, each	20c
Jelly Dessert, Dr. Prices 3 pound package for	25c	Peaches, Fancy Evaporated per pound	10c
Baking Powder, 16 oz. cans	15c	Apples, Fancy Evaporated per pound	13c
Egg-O-See, per package	8c	Raisins, Seedless, 16 oz. package	10c
Oat Meal, Large packages, each	18c	Table Syrup, 10 pound pail	35c
Baker's Cocoa, ½ pound can	20c	Table Syrup, 5 pound pail	18c
Chocolate, Walter Bakers per pound	32c	Sardines, King Oscar, per can	10c
Mince Meat, None Such, 3 for	25c	Marascheno Cherries, 30c bottle	24c
Corn Meal, 10 pound sack	23c	Corn, Best Standard	10c
Soap, Santa Claus, 7 for	25c	Hominy, Van Camps per can	10c
Soap, Lenox, 7 for	25c	Peas, Selected, Early June 2 for	25c
Soap, Swift Pride, 7 for	25c	Peas, Pine Hill, sifted per can	15c

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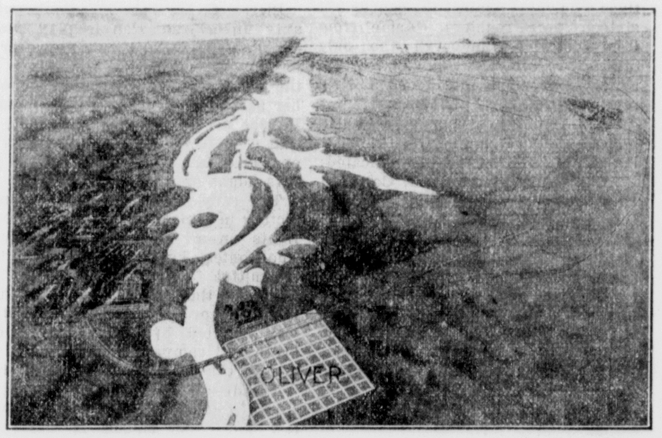

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17 Acre Tract Near Old Power House Is Sold for $1700—Council Met Last Night

PAPER COMPANY TO BUILD SOON

Ordinance Committee Reports—Other Matters Which Came Up at the Meeting

The city council met in special session last night and all members were present when President Toohey called the meeting to order.

The meeting had been called to take action on the sale of city lands to the Northwest Paper Co. It was moved by Alderman Paine and seconded by Alderman Zakariasen, that the proposition of J. M. Elder be accepted, that the city sell the land to the Northwest Paper Co. for $1700, that the company is to construct its mill within a reasonable length of time and that the city attorney prepare the proper legal papers and submit them to the council for its approval. This motion was carried, superceding the report of the special committee, Messrs. Dieckhaus, Paine, Gardner, Zakariasen and Henning, wherein they recommended that the price for the 17 acres of land which the city owned near the power house was to be $2500.

The ordinance committee recommended that a stenographer be employed to typewrite the ordinances as revised as well as those in force. The request was granted.

The ten per cent liquor license money suit started by the county against the city was left in the hands of the street committee.

The city clerk was instructed to notify the city treasurer that all moneys should be handled through the city clerk's office.

A letter from James Manahan, a twin city attorney, was read. He asked the city to use its influence as it might see proper to secure an investigation of the railway mail service, also submitting a resolution to that effect which was adopted and the clerk instruucted to write the state senators and representatives informing them.

The council then adjourned.

MORE EXAMINATIONS.

The Civil Service Commission Announces Tests to be Held During the Spring of 1911

Competitive examinations under the rules of the United States civil service commission for a large number of positions has been announced. These examinations will be held in Brainerd and other points in the northwest and the dates will be announced from time to time as they are given out. The departmental clerk and railway mail clerk examinations will not be held until later in the season, after July 15th.

The department has not been able to supply the demand for male stenographers and typewriters, and an examination for this branch will be held in this city on March 14th. The government offers a desirable field to bright and ambitious young men who are willing to enter this service at a salary of from $840 to $900.

Applications forms and full information regarding any of these examinations may be obtained by calling on any member of the local board in this city, or by addresing the U. S. Civil Service Commission at St. Paul, Minn., or Washington, D. C.

FOR SALE

Three houses on Fir street. Good bargains if taken at once. Enquire 1013 Fir St. 210t6p

LEASES HOTEL EARL

Jule Jamieson Leases His Hotel to George Anderson, of Forest City, Iowa

Jule Jamieson has leased his Hotel Earl to George Anderson, of Forest City, Iowa, who will take possession on or about March 1st. Alterations and repairs are being made to the building at present. The Iowa man leases the bar also. He is expected to arrive in Brainerd about February 25th and will be accompanied by his wife and two sons.

Mr. Anderson has had ten years experience in the hotel business and will no doubt make a success of it in Brainerd. The saloon is having a new floor laid and many of the rooms are being repapered and decorated.

WHAT IS THOUGHT OF A GAS PLANT

Opinions Gathered from Various Businmen of the City Regarding the Proposition

PRICE MUST BE REASONABLE

Some Favor Interesting Brainerd Capital in the Venture and Making It a Home Company

The appointment of the special committee, Messrs. Cardle, Drexler and Paine, at the recent council meeting, to confer with C. C. Sloan, of the Crookston Gas Plant, who desired a gas franchise for this city, has tended to draw the attention of the people to this committee in its investigation of the proposition of having a gas plant established in the city of Brainerd.

The Crookston people propose to establish a modern gas plant if given a franchise and furnish gas to consumers at $1.65 per 1000 cubic feet if 10 million cubic feet is sold, $1.55 if 15 million is used, $1.45 if 20 million is used and a minimum rate of $1.35 if 25 million cubic feet or over is consumed per year.

Assuming that satisfactory arrangements could be made and a reasonable price secured, the Dispatch asked some of the business men of the city what they thought about the matter.

R. R. Wise—"If prices could be adjusted satisfactorily there is no question whatever as to the advisability of having a gas plant in the city of Brainerd. Many cities of only 3,000 inhabitants are installing gas plants. There are many in this city who would use gas as a fuel."

M. T. Dunn—"I am certainly in favor of a gas plant, but the price must be reasonable, say, starting from $1.20 a thousand and then graded according to the various quantities used by the city, the price decreasing as the amount used increased."

J. W. Koop—"I am in favor of a gas plant if a reasonable rate can be secured."

O. A. Peterson, of Bye & Peterson, —"I cannot give an opinion about the matter for I really do not know much about it."

James M. Elder—"If you can get the right kind of a rate and a reliable company with a reasonable franchise, I am in favor of it, but it would depend wholly upon the rate and the franchise. I would much prefer a home company."

Many other merchants as well as shop men were seen who did not wish to be quoted but who thought it would be a good thing for the city if the city was properly safeguarded, the franchise reasonable and the rates fair and equitable.

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MINN. TEACHERS MEET AT DULUTH

School Problems of Northern Minnesota to be Discussed at the Meeting of Association

MEET IN DULUTH FEB. 16, 17, 18

Supt. W. C. Cobb is the Chairman of the High School Section of the Association

The eleventh annual meeting of the Northeastern Minnesota Educational association will be held at Duluth, February 16, 17 and 18. All of Thursday and Friday forenoon will be devoted to visiting the city and normal schools of Duluth and Superior. Thursday evening the visiting teachers will be entertained at a social function at the Central high school. The convention program will be given Friday afternoon and evening and Saturday forenoon. Saturday afternoon and evening may be reserved for sightseeing in the cities.

An effort has been made to bring some of the best educational speakers, both men and women, of the country to lend inspiration to this meeting. Dr. A. E. Winship, the noted educational editor and school visitor of America will come from Boston to open the convention. His subject is "Modern School Problems." Mrs. Frances Squire Potter, of Chicago, who will again join the educational workers of Minnesota at the College of Education of the university, will also speak at the opening session. Friday evening will be devoted to a symposium of many speakers on the convention theme, "School Problems of Northern Minnesota."

The various sections of the association will meet on Saturday forenoon. Live problems of interest will be discussed in the sections devoted to the high schools, the elementary schools and kindergarten and the primary schools. Teachers of the rural schools will consider topics of particular interest to them, while, for the first time, the teachers of the night schools will meet for special conference. The teachers of the industrial arts will hold round table discussions in the new manual arts high school in which the best manual training equipment in Northern Minnesota has just been installed. An exhibit will also be held in connection with the meeting of this section.

Among those who will assist at these sectional meetings are Miss Mascord, of Hibbing; Miss Martha Wilson, St. Paul; Mrs. Margaret Blair, College of Agriculture; Miss Theda Gildemeister, State Normal school, Winona; and Miss Adelaide Holton, Primary Supervisor, Minneapolis.

Dr. C. F. Hodges, of Clark University, Massachusetts, will address the closing session of the convention on Saturday. His subject is, "Nature Study and the Ideal Home Life."

An excellent program is promised. Every teacher in Northern Minnesota should plan to be present. Brainerd takes especial interest in this association for Supt. of City Schools, W. C. Cobb, is the chairman of the high school section of the association.

A GREAT PAPER

J. C. Hessel, Jr., Sends Dispatch the "Portland Oregonian" Special 128 Page Number

J. C. Hessel, Jr., of Albany, Ore., has written the Dispatch the following letter:

Brainerd Dispatch,
Gentlemen:

Am sending you the 128 page paper printed last Saturday by the Portland Oregonian. Get Minnesota, especially Brainerd, to wake up and use more printer's ink as is done out here.

Yours truly,
J. C. HESSEL, Jr."

This large edition is in celebration of the Portland Oregonian's 50th anniversary. It is well illustrated with views showing the city's growth and substantial achievements as well as including pictures of the vicinity immediately tributary to Portland. Of great interest is the article written by its former editor, W. Lair Hill, who traces its growth from a four page weekly and its fighting founder to the present finished and admirable production. Truly, printer's ink has done its share to make the west.

MUSIC AND DRAMA

"At The Grand"

The manager of the Grand has arranged to present the following attractions for the balance of the week, which are coming into Brainerd from the Sullivan and Considine circuits and have been two high priced feature acts on the circuit. Owing to these two special features the amateur acts for Friday have been cut.

Miss Flora Browning, of Browning and Keller, will wear a $2,000 gown at each performance for the balance of the week. This beautiful gown was imported from Berlin and weighs 35 pounds and is only knee length. It is covered with 8,000 brilliants, each one being sewed on separately. Miss Browning wears this dress only when on the big circuits and then but twice a week on account of its weight, but, as she is a personal friend of the manager, she has kindly consented to wear it at the first performance for the balance of the week.

The moving pictures are of a high order and will interest all. It's a dollar show for only ten and fifteen cents.

DISPATCH ADS HELP BUSINESS

NATIONAL HOTEL LEASED

G. A. Hannestad, of Badger, Minn., Experienced Hotel Man, Leases The National Hotel

G. A. Hannestad, of Badger, Minn., an experienced hotel man, has leased the National Hotel and is now engaged in refurnishing and renovating the building. The hotel is being put into first class shape. He has also leased the bar and has received a large shipment of the best in wines, liquors and other things necessary for a first class bar.

Mr. Hannestad's family will arrive about February 15th and consists of his wife, son and daughter. The son has previously been in business in Roosevelt.

The hotel is open at present and guests can be furnished with rooms. The bar will be open February 20th, and the entire hotel will be in first class shape, clean and refurnished by next week. Mr. Hannestad has had ten years experience in the hotel business and is certain, by strict attention to business to make a success of his venture.

PAINTS PICTURE FOR MASONIC TEMPLE

Miss Caroline Bishop, Niece of J. M. Elder, of Brainerd, is The Painter of

A LEGEND OF KING SOLOMON

The Fair Artist, 18 Years Old, is Niece Also of D. R. Elder, of St. Paul

The St. Paul Pioneer Press of recent date under the caption, "Girl Paints Picture for New Masonic Temple in Merriam Park," contains a copy of the picture painted by Miss Caroline Bishop, the niece of Messrs. James M. Elder, of Brainerd, and D. R. Elder, of St. Paul. The article states:

"Miss Caroline Bishop, 2017 St. Anthony avenue, has completed an oil painting showing the workmen before King Solomon at the completion of the temple, which she has been painting for the new Masonic temple of Triune lodge in Merriam Park.

"The picture is seven feet long and five feet wide, and is a copy of a steel engraving in volume 1, "History of Freemasonry." There is nothing in the book explaining the picture, but several Masonic authorities in the city have studied the picture and looked it up. They have concluded that it is the conception of some artist of the legend depicted in a steel engraving by John Sartain, of Philadelphia, one of the most famous engravers the world has known.

"This is the legend: When the temple was completed, King Solomon prepared a feast for the artificers employed in its construction, and announced that the place of honor at his right side would be given for one day to the best workman.

"On uunveiling the throne it was found that a blacksmith had usurped the seat of honor, which had not yet been awarded, whereupon the people loudly protested and the guard rushed forward to cut him down.

" 'Let him speak,' " commanded Solomon.

" 'Thou hast, O King,' " said the blacksmith, 'invited all the craftsmen but me, yet how could these builders have raised the temple without the tools I fashioned?'

" 'True,' decreed Solomon, 'the seat is yours by right. All honor to the iron worker.'

"Sartain's old engraving shows the workmen dressed in their long robes but in the picture Miss Bishop has copied they appear in their working garments, with their aprons and their tools. The blacksmith stands before throne with his sledge making his appeal to the king, while the other artificers are grouped about him. In the background rise the vast pillars of the tempie.

"D. R. Elder, an uncle of Miss Bishop, first suggested to his niece that she paint such a picture. She had never attempted such a large piece of work but she thought it would be fun to try, so she got the canvass and began, doing the work at Mr. Elder's home, where she lives.

"When the outlines were drawn, Mr. Elder could see that the picture possessed real merit so he called in several prominent Masons to view it. Among these were Charles E. Elmquist, state railroad and warehouse commissioner, and Albert C. Claussen, secretary of that commission. Both these men are past masters of Masonic lodges. They were enthusiastic about Miss Bishop's picture and consented to assist her with suggestions during the course of her work. The book plate was in black and white, and Miss Bishop, with the assistance of the counsellors, planned the coloring, which he has worked out with beautiful and striking effect.

"Later the decorating and house committee of the Triune lodge were called in to view the painting and provide a suitable place in the new temple for hanging it.

"The temple is now practically finished and will be formally opened some time this month. The picture will be presented to the lodge at this formal opening.

"Miss Bishop's friends are congratulating her on her success in her first attempt as such work. It is a single handed achievement, for she had neither the assistance nor suggestion from any other artist. Heretofore her work has been confined to china and ivory painting, water colors and small canvasses, most of them flowers and landscapes. Miss Bishop is only 18 years old."

Concerning Bond Companies

Editor Daily Dispatch:

When we are considering the "system" that holds the masses of this country in a bondage more relentless and cruel than Harriot Beecher Stowe ever portrayed or imagined, we must take into account a branch of that system which holds in the palms of its hand the bread and butter of a large class of people, and the support of their families down to the necessary milk bottle of the babe in the cradle in their homes. I refer to the Surety Bond Companies.

I first want to admit that these bond companies occupy a very useful and necessary position in the business world and it has become customary with all large corporations as well as private institutions, including the railways, express companies, banks and municipalities, to require surety bond of all their employees in any judiciary capacity, and we cannot criticise these employers for adhering to the practice. They cannot safely conduct large business without such bonds and it is not practical to keep track of the changing responsibility of private bondsmen. And the practice of signing private bonds is like signing other people's notes in a bank—a good thing to get rid of. But a practice which these bond companies have got into and which is not necessary to the carrying on of their legitimate business has to be condemned.

When an employee under a surety company bond makes a mistake which comes under the scrutiny of his bond company, or if he is guilty of the least defalcation, the bond company turns him down and he has lost his job, and although it is the only trade he knows and he is too old to learn another, he can never get another such job because his name has been reported to all the other companies in the United States, and they have private agreements not to employ any black listed men. Even if he makes good every penny and does penance on naked knees his one little "slip" ends him for life from occupying any position where a surety bond is required. It is just the same if false rumors have been loud enough to make the company suspicious, or the defalcation has been caused by an accidental loss or an offended inspector of that company has maliciouslyreported him. The company cancels his bond and his employer has to discharge him for no other reason but the "bond company has turned him down." There have been cases where high influences have restored such a one to favor but only enough such exceptions to prove the rule. You cannot do anything to the companies who cancelled your bond or refuses to insure you. It has a legal right to select its risks. It was unlawful to blacklist you with the other companies, but that don't do you any good because you cannot get a particle of competent proof before the courts, and courts and juries are powerless without competent evidence to prove the offence.

Unscrupulous employers are also using these circumstances as a big stick over your helpless head. If you do not do his unlawful bidding or if you refuse to stay in his employ against your will and conscience or self respect, he will himself report you to the bond company and the result is just the same.

The question now arises, how are we going to remedy this evil? We don't want to legislate the bond companies out of existence for if rightly operated they occupy a legitimate field and perform a needful service, but as they have to qualify before the insurance commissioner now before they can write bonds in this state it would be a good idea to require from them an agreement to submit all disputed applications for fidelity bonds to some system of arbitration provided for in the law, and that no such bond can be cancelled without a hearing before such tribunal. Such a provision ought to be incorporated in the law of this and every other state, and some of our very busy legislators ought to take it up.

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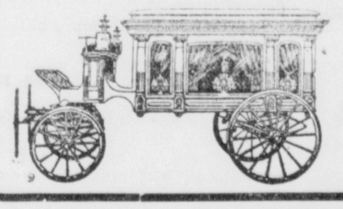

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"Hum," grunted Ryder senior. "I rather thought I should find you here, but I didn't quite expect to find you on your knees—dragging our pride in the mud."

"That's where our pride ought to be," retorted Jefferson savagely. He felt in the humor to say anything, no matter what the consequences.

"So she has refused you again, eh?" said Ryder senior, with a grin.

"Yes," rejoined Jefferson, with growing irritation. "She objects to my family. I don't blame her."

The financier smiled grimly as he answered:

"Your family in general—me in particular, eh? I gleaned that much when I came in." He looked toward the door of the room in which Shirley had taken refuge, and, as if talking to himself, he added: "A curious girl with an inverted point of view; sees everything different to others. I want to see her before she goes."

He walked over to the door and raised his hand as if he were about to knock. Then he stopped as if he had changed his mind, and, turning toward his son, he demanded:

"Do you mean to say that she has done with you?"

"Yes," answered Jefferson bitterly.

"Finally?"

"Yes, finally—forever!"

"Does she mean it?" asked Ryder senior skeptically.

"Yes; she will not listen to me while her father is still in peril."

There was an expression of half amusement, half admiration, on the financier's face as he again turned toward the door.

"It's like her, just like her," he muttered.

He knocked boldly at the door.

"Who's there?" cried Shirley from within.

"It is I—Mr. Ryder. I wish to speak to you."

"I must beg you to excuse me," came the answer. "I cannot see you."

Jefferson interfered.

"Why do you want to add to the girl's misery? Don't you think she has suffered enough?"

"Do you know what she has done?" said Ryder, with pretended indignation. "She has insulted me grossly. I never was so humiliated in my life. She has returned the check I sent her last night in payment for her work on my biography. I mean to make her take that money. It's hers. She needs it. Her father's a beggar. She must take it back. It's only flaunting her contempt for me in my face, and I won't permit it."

"I don't think her object in refusing that money was to flaunt contempt in your face or in any way humiliate you," answered Jefferson. "She feels she has been sailing under false colors and desires to make some reparation."

"And so she sends me back my money, feeling that will pacify me, perhaps repair the injury she has done me, perhaps buy me into entering into her plan of helping her father, but it won't. It only increases my determination to see her and her"— Suddenly changing the topic, he asked, "When do you leave us?"

"Now—at once—that is, I—don't know," answered Jefferson, embarrassed. "The fact is my faculties are numbed. I seem to have lost my power of thinking. Father," he exclaimed, "you see what a wreck you have made of our lives!"

"Now, don't moralize," replied his father testily, "as if your own selfishness in desiring to possess that girl wasn't the mainspring of all your actions." Waving his son out of the room, he added: "Now, leave me alone with her for a few moments. Perhaps I can make her listen to reason."

Jefferson stared at his father as if he feared he were out of his mind.

"What do you mean? Are you"— he ejaculated.

"Go—go; leave her to me," commanded the financier. "Slam the door when you go out, and she'll think we've both gone. Then come up again presently."

The stratagem succeeded admirably. Jefferson gave the door a vigorous pull, and John Ryder stood quiet, waiting for the girl to emerge from sanctuary. He did not have to wait long. The door soon opened, and Shirley came out slowly. She had her hat on

"It is useless to insist, Jefferson."

and was drawing on her gloves, for through her window she had caught a glimpse of the cab standing at the curb. She started on seeing Ryder standing there motionless, and she would have retreated had he not intercepted her.

"I wish to speak to you, Miss—Rossmore," he began.

"I have nothing to say," answered Shirley frigidly.

"Why did you do this?" he asked, holding out the check.

"Because I do not want your money," she replied, with hauteur.

"It was yours. You earned it," he said.

"No. I came here hoping to influence you to help my father. The work I did was part of the plan. It happened to fall my way. I took it as a means to get to your heart."

"But it is yours. Please take it. It will be useful."

"No," she said scornfully. "I can't tell you how low I should fall in my own estimation if I took your money. Money," she added, with ringing contempt, "why, that's all there is to you! It's your god! Shall I make your god my god? No, thank you, Mr. Ryder!"

"Am I as bad as that?" he asked wistfully.

"You are as bad as that!" she answered decisively.

"So bad that I contaminate even good money?" He spoke lightly, but she noticed that he winced.

"Money itself is nothing," replied the girl. "It's the spirit that gives it, the spirit that receives it, the spirit that earns it, the spirit that spends it. Money helps to create happiness. It also creates misery. It's an engine of destruction when not properly used. It destroys individuals as it does nations. It has destroyed you, for it has warped your soul."

"Go on," he laughed bitterly. "I like to hear you."

"No, you don't, Mr. Ryder; no you don't, for deep down in your heart you know that I am speaking the truth. Money and the power it gives you has dried up the wellsprings of your heart."

He affected to be highly amused at her words, but behind the mask of callous indifference the man suffered. Her words seared him as with a redhot iron. She went on:

"In the barbaric ages they fought for possession, but they fought openly. The feudal barons fought for what they stole, but it was a fair fight. They didn't strike in the dark. At least they gave a man a chance for his life. But when you modern barons of industry don't like legislation you destroy it, when you don't like your judges you remove them, when a competitor outbids you you squeeze him out of commercial existence! You have no hearts, you are machines, and you are cowards, for you fight unfairly."

"It is not true; it is not true," he protested.

"It is true," she insisted hotly. "A few hours ago in cold blood you doomed my father to what is certain death because you decided it was a political necessity. In other words, he interfered with your personal interests—your financial interests—you, with so many millions you can't count them!" Scornfully she added: "Come out into the light—fight in the open! At least let [illegible] who his enemy is!"

"Too much! Not another word!" he cried in a hoarse voice. "You have driven me [illegible]

looking down at her kindly, he said awkwardly:

"So it was; so it was! You accomplished the miracle. It's the first time I've acted on pure sentiment. Let me tell you something. Good sentiment is bad business, and good business is bad sentiment. That's why a rich man is generally supposed to have such a hard time getting into the kingdom of heaven." He laughed and went on: "I've given $10,000,000 apiece to three universities. Do you think I'm fool enough to suppose I can buy my way? But that's another matter. I'm going to Washington on behalf of your father because I—want you to marry my son. Yes, I want you in the family, close to us. I want your respect, my girl. I want your love. I want to earn it. I know I can't buy it. There's a weak spot in every man's armor, and this is mine. I always want what I can't get, and I can't get your love unless I earn it."

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Nobody is the least surprised except us, and we become quite absorbed in watching the friendly bombardment. Our host engages us, as the newspapers say, in "animated conversation," inquires the purposes of our tour, and our theories as to the origin of the Mayan people.

It is hard to give him our whole attention, for we feel that we are losing all the fun. The tortillas are whizzing over the table now and round it just like boomerangs, and then, [illegible] ess' supply is exhausted. But here is a plump Indian maid with a fresh supply, snowy white and softly fluffy, such as would fill a London muffin man's heart with envy. It is all very funny.

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